

PLATTSBURGH AIR FORCE BASE,
SPARES INERT STORAGE BUILDING
(Plattsburgh Air Force Base, Building No. 3570)
Off Perimeter Road in Weapons Storage Area
Plattsburgh
Clinton County
New York

HAER No. NY-326-AP

PHOTOGRAPHS

WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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Location: Off Perimeter Road in Weapons Storage Area, Plattsburgh, Clinton County, New York.

UTM: 18.621780.4944100
Quad: Plattsburgh, NY-VT, 1:24,000 (1966)

Date of Construction: 1956

Architect/Engineer: Unknown

Present Owner: United States Air Force

Present Use: Vacant

Significance: Building No. 3570 was to house inert items. Building No. 3570 is essentially identical to Building No. 3569.

Project Information: Building 3570 at Plattsburgh Air Force Base (AFB) is being documented in accordance with HAER standards to mitigate for the potential adverse effects of transferring deed of title to the property from federal ownership. The property transfer is a result of the disposal and reuse of Plattsburgh AFB, pursuant to the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1993. The mitigation is a stipulation of a Programmatic Agreement (PA) among the U.S. Air Force, the New York State Historic Preservation Officer, and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (October 2000).

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Summary Description of Spares Inert Storage Building (Building No. 3570)

Layout

Building No. 3570 is a 2,738 square-foot, one-story, building constructed of reinforced concrete block. This building has a square plan measuring 52'-4" x 52'-4" and a reinforced concrete foundation. The front (west facade) has an overhead garage door; the rear (east facade) has a personnel door centered on the wall. The building has no windows, although the north and south facades have single, louvered vents centered on each facade. There are no windows in this building because in case a weapon accidentally exploded, the explosion would be contained. Building No. 3570 has a side-gable roof clad in asphalt shingles that was installed circa 1980.

Alterations/Additions

Other than the addition of a gable roof circa 1980, there has been no other known alterations or additions made to Building No. 3570.

Function

Building No. 3570 was utilized for storage and maintenance of inert items.

Significance

Building No. 3570 is a common storage building type, constructed in 2,500 square-foot increments as needed to meet storage requirement. It was built to warehouse inert (weapons) items that were essential to flight operations (air attacks), and thus needed to be kept in a constant state of readiness. For this reason, the building was an important element in the overall Strategic Air Command Cold War mission.

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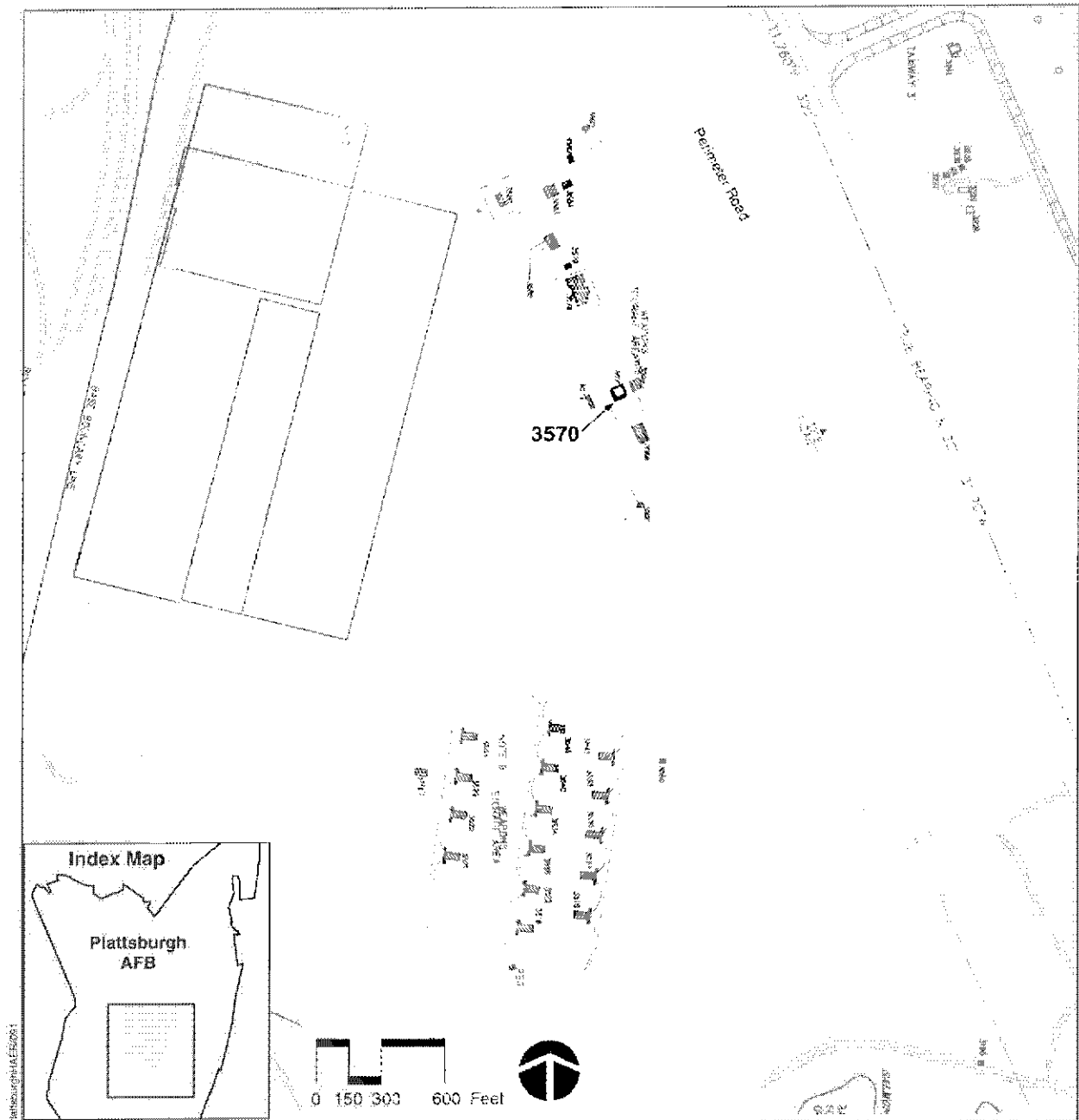
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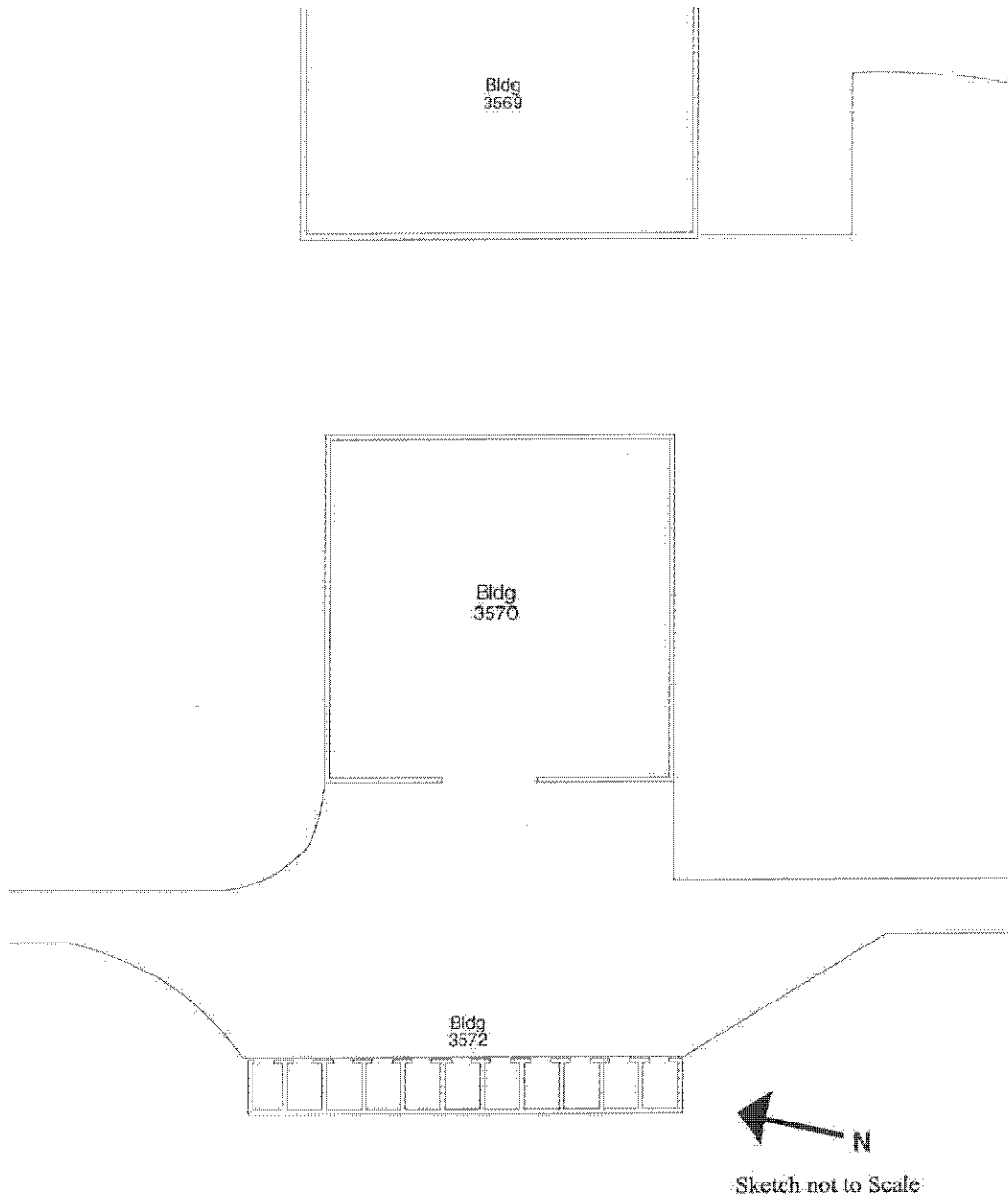
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SKETCH PLAN – SPARES INERT STORAGE BUILDING
(Plattsburgh Air Force Base, Building No. 3570)
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